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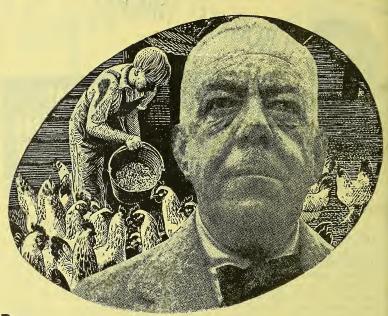


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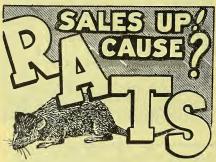
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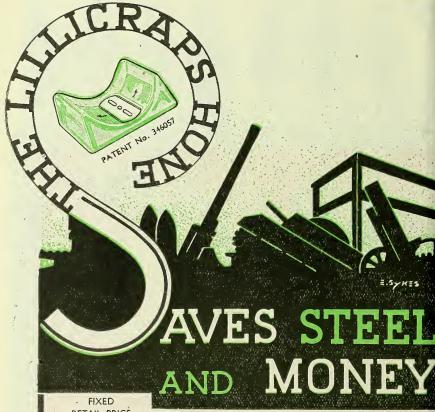
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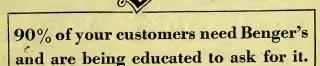
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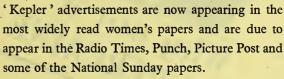
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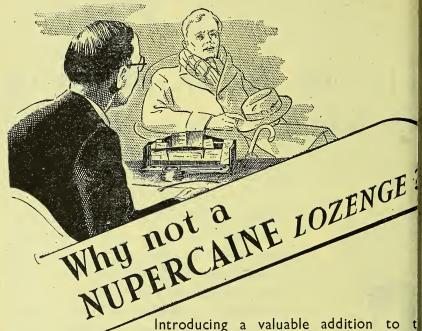
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NEWS OF THE WEEK

mforts Fund Donation:—The sum of proceeds of a dance and raffle organised to staff of Imperial Chemical Industries, Distribution Centre, Northwich, as

as from subscriptions from persons ble to attend, has been received as a tion by the Merchant Navy Comforts ice.

ability Decisions.—The following deciregarding the liability of certain articles inchase tax is published as supplementto those already given in Notice Number—Buckles, slides and clasps of a kind
on apparel; slides, grips, combs and
designed for regular wear on the hair
per cent.): (a) Under Class 15 (a) if
are made wholly or partly of platinum,
(including gold plate) or silver, or are
with precious, imitation, or synthetic
s; (b) under Class 15 (b) if they are
with wholly or partly of materials specified
at class, e.g. semi-precious stones or
her of pearl. In other cases these
les will be chargeable at the rate of

 $33\frac{1}{3}$ per cent. under Class I (c). Articles which are not included in the classes mentioned, such as ornaments for wear on the hair, or on dresses, shoes, hats or other apparel, remain chargeable at the rate of 100 per cent. under Classes 15 or 16 as appropriate.

New Maximum Price for Candles .-- The Board of Trade, in consultation with the Central Price Regulation Committee, has made a new Candles (Maximum Prices) Order. The new Order (S. R. & O., 1943, No. 1458) provides that from October 29 the manufacturer's and wholesaler's maximum price on sale to a retailer is reduced from 51s. to 45s. per case of 72 lb. of candles, and from November 26 the retailer's maximum selling price will be 9d. instead of 10d. per lb. The Order, like the one it replaces, relates to "common paraffin wax candles," and contains the same provisions for bringing to the notice of the retailer and the public the maximum prices fixed by the Order.

Plymouth Closing Hours.—Representatives of businesses in the city have agreed with the Special Purposes Committee of the Council that the winter closing-hour for shops at Plymouth, between November 7 and March 4, shall be 6 p.m. (6.30 p.m. on the late night).

Capsules Lost in Dublin.—The Civic Guard authorities in Dublin issued a warning on October 20 that on the previous day a small box containing six capsules of pituitary extract had been found at East Road, and that it was possible that a greater quantity might have been lost than that found.

Eire Examination Results.—In the October Licence examination held by the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland, Edward Patrick Kenny passed with Honours, and the following passed: Thomas Clumba Cassidy, John Dunphy, Anthony Philip Fitzgerald, John James Forristal, Timothy John Hackett, Daniel Harrington, Rose Lacy, Johanna Mary O'Connell, Alfred Chistopher Rush, and Denis Kevin Walsh.

Peterborough Annual Meetings.—The annual meetings of the Peterborough Chemists' Association and Branch of the Pharmaceutical Society were held on October 27, when the following officers were elected: Chairman, Mr. A. C. Fowler; Vice-chairman, Mr. F. D. Middleton; Secretary, Mr. B. Wright, Ganton, 26 Queens Gardens, Peterborough; Treasurer, Mr. C. W. Lenton; Council, Messrs. A. Duffield, H. E. Whitwell, G. W. Dring, and H. Stanyon, with Mr. A. R. L. Evans ex-officio.

Trading Company Appoints Political Adviser.—The board of directors of Lever Bros. & Unilever, Ltd., has appointed Professor David Mitrany to be the company's adviser on social and political questions, both national and international. An announcement by the board states that the company has always been of, opinion that the most desirable policy for a business organisation is one which helps to improve local conditions in the community in which it operates.

In the Courts.—At Nelson, Lancs, recently, four boys were bound over on charges of having thrown stolen drugs and surgical instruments into a dustbin after forcing open a bag taken from a doctor's car. The chairman urged doctors to keep their cars locked.—At Trowbridge County Court, on October 22, John Henry Aplin, M.P.S., Silver Street, Trowbridge, Wilts, was awarded £21 rent and £10 10s. damages,

with costs, in an action brought again dentist tenant of his premises in respec rent and dilapidations.

Newcastle Employees.—A meeting held at Newcastle-on-Tyne on October with the object of forming a branch of National Pharmaceutical Employees' Un It was decided that the branch should formed and the following officers elected: Chairman, Mr. H. Whewell; retary, Mr. I. Duncan; Treasurer, Miss Bell; Committee, Miss K. M. Atkins, Messrs. T. H. Booth, C. Lonsdale, and T Tait. All are members of the Pharmace us Society. It was decided that the appoments should be only provisional.

Research Farm in Scotland.—Lord T (chairman of Boots, Ltd.) has leased farm at Ardslignach, nr. Aronamurc Argyllshire, to the company as a rese centre. Experiments will be condumainly to discover how far nutrition protect sheep from disease and to means for the control and prevention sheep disease. Research will be done on the fertility of the soil, and to detert the stock-carrying capacity of sheep-I The research station will be under Stephen Williams, M.Sc., N.D.A., form on the staff of the Midlands Agricult College.

Chemists' Hours in Londonderry.—We the Londonderry Corporation discurrecently a closing order for chemists druggists under the Shops Act, 191 was stated that the hours would be 7 daily except Thursday (1 p.m.) and Sc day (9 p.m.). The Trades Council had gested that three shops—one in St Road, one in Ferryquay Street, and in the Waterside—should be kept until 10 p.m. daily. The chemists rethat patients with prescriptions ma "urgent" could get a chemist at his prihouse after closing hours and he w dispense the prescription. The Corpora approved the Order.

Eire Benevolent Fund Dance.—annual dance in aid of the Benevolent Fof the Pharmaceutical Society of Ire will be held this year at the Gresham H Dublin, on December 7. At the first me of the committee, held on October 13, Con Collis was again elected chairman, Mr. David Murphy and Miss K. O'She secretaries and Miss C. O'Reilly as treas Dancing will be from 10 p.m. to 3 Tickets, price 10s. 6d., are limited to and early booking is thus advisable. M Cremen (president, Pharmaceutical Soc

nded the first meeting of the Committee rish them success, and the work is now in hand to make the function again the t brilliant and successful pharmaceuevent of the season.

nemists' Friends Association.—A meetof the council of the C.F. Association held in London on October 19, the ident (Mr. J. D. Bohn) in the chair. THE ASURER submitted his monthly financial rt, together with draft annual accounts balance sheet for the financial year ed September 30; these were approved. secretary was instructed to incorporate annual accounts and balance sheet in report to be submitted to the annual ting of Chemists' Friends manufacrs on November 24. On instructions ived at the previous meeting, the secre-submitted Counsel's opinion on advans to be gained by registering the Associaas a trade union—an opinion based on stions put by Mr. Mallinson. It was resolved to appoint a special subcommittee to consider the opinion and report on any necessary changes in the rules.

Diet and Weight.—Under a Ministry of Food experiment to find out whether civilians are losing weight under a war-time diet, more than 9,000 people, including factory workers, coal miners and boys and girls of sixteen years of age, have been twice weighed. 3,416 men from large factories and mines had an average weight of ro st. 8 lb. in April and ro st. 74 lb. in July. The average weight of 3,214 factory women was 9 st. 11 lb. in April and 9 st. 1 lb. in July. In the same period, boys of sixteen increased their average weight by 4 lb., and 1,737 girls had a weight decrease of an equal amount. The weight experiments of the Ministry are to continue for the duration of the war, and housewives are being asked to co-operate by getting themselves weighed by local chemists at regular intervals.

PARLIAMENTARY NEWS

rnthetic Rubber Supplies.—In a written y to a question recently on synthetic per from the United States, Mr. Garro es stated that the supply had begun, he was confident that, apart from postransport delays, it would be mained and increased to meet our needs.

Jorkmen's Compensation. — A works's Compensation (Temporary Increases),
which received a second reading in the
se of Commons on October 22, provides
an increase in the rates of benefit under
Act passed in February. The proposed
s are intended to operate until a new
more comprehensive scheme is introed.

inegar Shortage.—Replying to a questiby Mr. E. P. Smith, on October 27, Mabane said the shortage of vinegar not confined to the southern counties, was general. At this period of the year te was a seasonal increase in demand. reased allocations were made, but in time the increase was limited by a rtage of containers.

nterruption of Apprenticeship.—In reply a question as to what arrangements are not made for persons whose apprentices have been interrupted by service in Forces, the Joint Parliamentary Secrey to the Ministry of Labour said on ober 28 that a scheme similar to that ch operated after the last war is in an ranced stage of preparation.

Medical Attention in the Forces.—Mr. Hammersley asked the Secretary of State for War recently whether he had considered complaints of inadequate medical attention in the Armed Forces. Sir James Grigg replied that individual complaints about the Army medical services reached the War Office from time to time from various sources. The complaints were in most cases without foundation.

Pharmacists in Admiralty Service.—On October 27, Mr. Linstead asked the First Lord of the Admiralty what steps he is taking to prevent a breakdown in the pharmaceutical service of the medical department of the Admiralty which will follow the threatened withdrawal of some sixty pharmacists for military service; and why these men cannot be transferred, as were dentists, from civilian officers to naval officers and so remain in the posts of which they have now specialised experience. The First Lord of the Admiralty replied that the number of pharmacists in the pharmaceutical department of the Admiralty who were under twenty-five at the date of their registration and whose deferment therefore became liable to cancellation following a decision on the call up of civil servants is thirty-seven and not sixty as stated. The question of the retention of these men in the Admiralty service is at present being reconsidered, and it would therefore not be appropriate to say anything further at this iuncture.

LEGAL REPORTS

Payment for Lipstick Moulds.—In the King's Bench Division, on October 11, judgment was given for the plaintiff in an action by Theodore Nolf for the recovery from Mr. James Francis Latimer Ivey, Disraeli Gardens, Putney, London, S.W., of £112 10s., the price of nine brass lipstickmoulds manufactured by the plaintiff.

Manufacture of Perfume.—At Clerkenwell Police Court, recently, Szad Mir Kamad Pasha, St. Augustine's Road, London, N.W.1, was fined £10 and £5 5s. costs for supplying perfume without being a registered person and for failing to keep accounts relating to the sales of the perfume. For the Board of Trade it was stated that Pasha, after being discharged from the Merchant Navy, applied for permission to manufacture perfume. The application was refused, but despite this he had been breaking-down perfumes with eau Cologne and selling them in various markets. His turnover was stated to be about £40 monthly.

Addiction Charges Against Matron.—At Bath Police Court, on October 29, Lilian Audrey Johnson, matron of the Stratton House Nursing Home, Park Lane, Bath, appeared on charges of unlawfully procuring from Boots, Ltd., chemists, Milsom Street, Bath, 145 grains of morphine and morphine sulphate between March 15 and August 27, and 160 grains from Boots, Ltd., Union Street, between March 10 and August 29. The case was adjourned for two weeks so that agreement might be arrived at whether she could be allowed to return to the nursing home, provided she gave safeguards to the public and patients.

No Extension of Letters Patent.—In the Chancery Division, on October 25, Gillette Industries, Ltd., Great West Road, Isleworth, Middlesex, the Gillette Safety Razor Co., Ltd., Boston, U.S.A., and Henry Conrad Heide, Broad Street, Liverpool Street, London, applied for an extension of letters patent granted to Heide on February 1, 1927, for improvements in safety-razor blades. The application related to Valet safety-razor blades, and the ground of the petition was that loss had been suffered in the development of the patent owing to the war. The original owners were the Valet Safety Razor Co., of America. The patent was communicated to a director of Gillette Industries, Ltd., and assigned to the company. Owing to limitations on deliveries of steel strip, of which the blades were

made, there had been a serious decline sales. Mr. Justice Simonds said that, for the war, blades of this kind would h been made by other manufacturers w the patent expired last February. could not be obtained because of difficul created by the war, and this had kept of people off the market. He refused application on the ground that Gille Industries, Ltd., was wholly owned by American company, which had to so extent benefited where the English comp had lost. It had supplied a foreign man hitherto served by the English compa and it seemed to him impossible to say t the applicants had proved by any dimi tion in sales that they had suffered a arising out of the war sufficient to jus an extension. He had to take into acco the sale of no fewer than 560,000 pack effected by the American company.

Perfume with Spurious Labels.—At Ma lebone Police Court, on October 27, Stepl Anderton Halsall, salesman, now serv in the Royal Air Force, and the proprie of a boarding house in Devonshire Terra Bayswater, London, was charged v (a) applying a false trade descript. "No. 5 Chanel, Paris," to seventy-bottles of perfume, contrary to the Methodical Methodical Contrary. chandise Marks Act; (b) possessing bottles of perfume to which the false tr description had been applied; and (c) ma facturing brilliantine for the hair wholly partly from petroleum. A detection inspector said accused had told him detecti seventy-two bottles of perfume came fr a woman he had met in a café and were a boarder. Accused had himself bou perfume for 8s. 6d. a bottle and sold it ros. a bottle. When questioned by police he had red stain upon his fins and clothes and explained it by taking officer to a basement room where there w about 700 jars of solid brilliantine and so cosmetics. He said, "I had better own I have been making a lot of cosmetics at I am not registered." There were some ""Chanel" labels in another room, a accused said he had had them printed the women in the café. He had ab 3 cwt. of petroleum jelly, second grade, a had made it up into solid brilliantine. director of Chanel, Ltd., said the perfu in the bottles was not of his firm's mar facture, and the labels were a spuri-imitation of their labels. Accused v committed for trial and was allowed b in £100.

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TOPICAL REFLECTIONS

rch in Industry

space allotted in your last week's to research in industry (pp. 442-43, 8) is a measure of the importance of subject. Early in the present year D., February 20, p. 183) you gave s of the Nuffield Foundation, estabby Lord Nuffield with a donation of bo,000 for purposes which included ntific research and teaching in the sts of trade and industry." The recent ts from the Federation of British tries and the Parliamentary and tific Committee are welcome evidence practical men in the world of affairs bt sitting back and leaving everything e Foundation. It is wise to be frank s matter, and to start with the admisthat this country has in the past been aratively backward in recognising the mental necessity for systematic re-By "systematic rein industry. h" I mean co-ordinated and continuous rch. The verdict of the F.B.I. Come on this backwardness is definite, needs no comment. For many years those interested in such matters have aware that some Continental manuring houses have selected members of staffs for the express purpose of carryut what appears at first sight to be research, not necessarily related to any diate commercial problem. The cons of opinion is that this policy has

The Committee referred to deals iously with the probability that some facturing firms will not be able to 1 the outlay involved in setting up rch departments of their own; in such a constant review of current scientific tess, subsidised by an appropriation atible with resources, is recommended. It is even the variety in types of research, policy is feasible and should be regarded

minimum of obligation.

Overlapping

much will be generally agreed. At point, however, a critical reader may the question of overlapping. He may est that when the Nuffield Foundation, Department of Scientific and Industrial arch and the Universities are fully ed up a danger of wasteful duplication fort will arise. That danger is, I think, apparent than real. The Department cientific and Industrial Research has m or never been generous in its disement of funds; and with a parsi-

monious Treasury in control, it is likely to narrow its scope when it finds that other bodies are doing outstanding work in the same field. As to the Universities, at least four of the seven Nuffield trustees hold university appointments: a delimitation of these two spheres should accordingly present no difficulty. The general conclusions of the Parliamentary and Scientific Committee are unexceptionable; in particular, we may all agree that "the Universities should prepare for a rapid growth in the number of students of science and technology." In this connexion it is a healthy sign that the new President of Magdalen College, Oxford, is Sir Henry Tizard, a distinguished scientist and a trustee of the Nuffield Foundation. With his advent the last vestige of truth in Matthew Arnold's rhapsodical description of Oxford as "the home of lost causes, and forsaken beliefs, and impossible loyalties" may be said to disappear.

What Is Expected

One reads with unusual interest the reflections of a trained legal mind on the function of the pharmacist in business (p. 443). Has the reasonable expectation of the public ever been put more neatly than in this sentence of Mr. S. C. T. Littlewood's? "Pharmacists should give the best possible service; have faith in examinareceive sufficient remuneration; and have belief in trade organisations. Proprietors of pharmacies and their qualified assistants may with advantage take to heart the speaker's remark that he "objected to being served by a young girl who had no knowledge of the preparation she was selling." Not long ago a customer in my locality ceased going into a certain pharmacy for exactly that reason. Turning to the rôle of trade organisations, Mr. Littlewood suggested obtaining wider powers for protection of interests, and noted the meagre fees for National Health Insurance dispensing. I may recall the old saying that to whom much is given, of him much is required. On that principle it would seem that in the case of panel work little should be required; yet no self-respecting pharmacist would lower his standard of dispensing to match the level of the tariff. There is an unanswerable case for a new basis of contract. Finally, it was appropriately urged that something should be done for service men and women on their return to civil life.

COMPANY NEWS

CHERITONE Co., LTD. (P.C.).—Capital £100. Wholesale and retail chemists, druggists' sundriesmen, etc. Directors notnamed. R.O.: Commerce Chambers, Upper Parliament Street, Nottingliam.

HEGA PRODUCTS, LTD. (P.C.).—Capital f100. Manufacturers of and dealers in surgical syringes, microscopes, cameras, surgical and scientific instruments, etc. R.O.: 47 Commerce Road, London, N.22.

Ansum Proprietaries, Ltd. (P.C.).—Capital £100. Manufacturing chemists, druggists, drysalters, etc. W. P. Richards, M.P.S., and Mrs. Alexandra Richards, directors. R.O.: 49 George Street, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffs.

Brondesbury Drug Stores, Ltd. (P.C.).—Capital £1,000. Wholesale and retail chemists, drug store proprietors, chemists' sundriesmen, etc. Archie Gillinson and Cyril N. Plumley, directors. R.O.: 338 High Road, Kilburn, London, N.W.6.

VINECTA PRODUCTS, LTD. (P.C.).—Capital £1,000. Manufacturers of and dealers in chemicals, drugs, disinfectants, toilet requisites, and retail chemists, etc. James E. Smith and Clifford W. Thornton, M.P.S., directors. R.O.: Vinecta Works, 28 Union Street, Dewsbury, Yorks.

Johnson Agencies (Export), Ltd. (P.C.).—Capital £100. Importers and exporters, distributing and general agents for manufacturing chemists and others. Stanley C. and Lorna M. Springett, directors. R.O.: Clarendon Works, 86 Clarendon Road, West Croydon, Surrey.

Donald Brooks & Co., Ltd. (P.C.).—Capital £2,000. To acquire the business of a manufacturing chemist carried on by Donald B. J. Brooks, at 271 Wakefield Road, Mold Green, Huddersfield. Donald B. J. Brooks, director. R.O.: 271 Wakefield Road, Mold Green, Huddersfield.

C. A. STEWARD (CHEMISTS), LTD. (P.C.).
—Capital £1,000. To acquire the business of a chemist and druggist carried on by Mrs. M. J. Steward, at 27 High Street, Worcester, as "Charles A. Steward." Mrs. Mary J. Steward, Charles C. Steward, M.P.S., and Francis A. Steward, directors. R.O.: 27 High Street, Worcester.

Genatosan, Ltd.—A final dividend has been announced on the ordinary shares of 15 per cent., making a total of 25 per cent. for the year (same as last year).

PERSONALITIES

SERGEANT F. G. McLardy, M.F. R.A.M.C., was in one of the groups repatriated prisoners of war who arrin Liverpool recently.

Mr. H. Humphreys Jones, J.P., Pl Liverpool, is to speak at a conference independent traders to be held in the R worth Hall, Liverpool, on November 1

Mr. T. Holford, Gordon Drive, Huy retired on October 20, after twenty-se years as departmental manager in laboratories, and nearly fifty-six yearvice with, Evans Sons Lescher & W Ltd., manufacturing chemists, Liverpoo

MR. LESLIE H. MOORE, M.P.S. (so Mr. G. H. Moore, Ph.C., St. Loe, Old I bridge Hill, Bath), who is home on furk from his work at the Baptist Mis Station at Pimu, Coquilhatville, Bel Congo, was on October 31, at Man Street Baptist Church, Bath, prese with two cheques on behalf of the ch and Sunday school. The first was tow buying a portable organ to take bac Africa. The second was a wedding gicelebration of his forthcoming marriag Miss Mary Jones.

MAJOR W. E. WOOLLEY, M.P.S., Pa mentary Private Secretary to the Min of Health, contributed the main articl the "Daily Express" leader page on Novber I. Criticising the Government's me of calculating pay-as-you-earn income for wage earners, Major Woolley advoc an alternative plan—the Avison syste under which only four calculations necessary: (a) To multiply the week's w by fifty-two; (b) deduct reliefs to ot taxable income; (c) refer to a calculate discover the appropriate annual tax; (d) divide by fifty-two.

MR. WILLIAM TURNER EWING, M.A., who has been nominated as Treas of the Company of Merchants of the Ci Edinburgh, was, until he retired a few y ago, senior partner in the firm of Dur Flockhart & Co., Edinburgh. Mr. Tu Ewing had a distinguished record in the war, when he commanded the Sev Battalion The Royal Scots. He was awa the D.S.O. with bar and the Croix de Gu with palms, and was mentioned in patches. At present he is a director or National Bank of Scotland, a Truste Edinburgh Savings Bank, and chairma the Royal Hospital for Sick Chile Edinburgh.

DEATHS

DBLE.—On October 17, Mr. Richard nis Doble, 5 Marshall Cottage, Whitch, Tavistock, aged eighty. Mr. Doble ified as a chemist and druggist in 1886. DNALD.—On October 19, Mr. John in Donald, M.P.S., 29 George Street, h, aged eighty.

GLAND.—Recently, after a long illness, Thomas Arthur England, M.P.S., Ivy, Godstone Road, Rotherham, Yorks, sixty-three. Mr. England was fory the manager of the Rotherham ch of Boots, Ltd. He retired at the of sixty, but returned at a later date g to shortage of staff. He leaves a w and one daughter.

schl.—At 37 Marefield Gardens, Lon-N.W.3, on October 26, Mr. Fred Fischl, fifty-three. Mr. Fischl was for many s manager of the export section of W. Hardy & Co., Ltd., chemical merts, Fenton House, 112–13 Fenchurch et, London, E.C.3.

ANCASTER.—Recently, Mr. Earle Rayd Lancaster, M.P.S., P.O. Box 379, wayo, Southern Rhodesia. Mr. Langr qualified in 1926.

NG.—At Burbage, Wilts, on October Mr. Frederick George Ling, M.P.S., view, Burbage, aged seventy-nine. Mr. was formerly in business for over years at Hackney Road, London, E.2. DUDEN.—Recently, the wife of Mr. es Louden, M.P.S.I., Bridge Street, aghadee, co. Down.

ow.—On October II, Mr. Joseph Low, S., 260 Brighton Road, Croydon, ey, aged sixty-nine.

EADOWS.—On October 13, Mr. John tin Meadows, 10 Evesham Place, tford-on-Avon, aged eighty-three. Mr. dows qualified as a chemist and druggist 882.

ILLER.—At the General Hospital, Rams-, Kent, on October 14, Mr. Alfred Edd Miller, M.P.S., 6 Belle Vue Road, asgate, aged sixty-nine.

EWMAN.—Recently, Mr. A. S. Newman, artner in the camera-manufacturing of Newman & Guardia, London. He gned the Sibyl and other cameras and ters, and was awarded the Royal Photobic Society's progress medal in 1936.

CHILLING.—Recently, Mr. Francis J. Uling, vice-chairman and managing ctor of Apollinaris and Presta, Ltd., and Apollinaris Co., Ltd. Mr. Schilling had been in the service of the companies for over fifty years.

SEYMOUR.—In October, during air operations, Sergeant Harold Cameron Seymour, R.A.F., M.P.S., Gladney Cottage, Cupar, Fife. Sergeant Seymour was formerly in business at 62 Granton Road, Edinburgh.

TAYLER.—At Chippenham District Hospital, on October 27, Mr. Charles Ludlow Tayler, Ph.C., aged seventy-four. For many years Mr. Tayler was in business at High Street, Chippenham, and retired after disposing of his business to Boots, Ltd. After an interval he returned to business by taking over a tobacconist's shop at 15-16 Pulteney Bridge, Bath, at which he carried on a combined trade in drugs and tobaccos. Mr. Tayler qualified as a chemist and druggist in 1895, passing the Major the following year. He leaves a widow, one son and one daughter.

RECENT WILLS

Mr. John Tait Aitcheson, M.P.S., 80 Comiston Drive, Edinburgh, who died on March 28, left personal estate in Great Britain valued at £1,400.

Mr. Charles Henry Newby, 88 Halifax Road, Grenoside, Sheffield, chemical engineer, who died at sea in December 1942, left £7,416, with net personalty £7,331.

MRS. EDITH MARY DIAMOND, 14 Evesham Road, Monkseaton, Northumberland, who died on April 20, wife of William Diamond, chemical engineer, left £2,693, with net personalty £2,668.

Mr. Henry Gordon Allen, Brickhouse, Burwash, Sussex, formerly of Shanghai, late managing director of I.C.I., China, Ltd., who died on March 24, left £38,319, with net personalty £34,126.

Mr. LIONEL DUNSFORD SEABORNE, The Ramblers, Turnpike Road, Newbury, Berks, formerly of Kirkstall, Leeds, retired chemist, who died on June 25, left £9,969, with net personalty £8,985.

MR. JOHN ALEXANDER REID SMILEY, 3 Townfield Road, Altrincham, Cheshire, for many years a representative of C. R. Harker, Stagg & Morgan, Ltd., manufacturing chemists, London, E., who died on February 26, left £2,728, with net personalty £2,624.

Mr. Thomas Herbert Thatcher, 25 Buckington Court, Kensington Park Road, formerly of 46 Lewisham Park, Lewisham, London, S.E., managing director of Atlas Preservative Co., Ltd., who died on June 24, left £13,217, with net personalty £12,782.

TRADE NOTES

Price Approved.—The Central Price Regulation Committee has approved an inclusive retail price of sixpence for Trille shampoo manufactured by the Excel Proprietary Co., Luton, Beds.

Advertising in Northern Ireland.—For advertising campaigns in Ulster a medium that carries the goodwill of its advertisers is the "Belfast Telegraph," Royal Avenue, Belfast (London office: 112 Fleet Street, E.C.4).

Phosphorus Rat Poison.—A phosphorus rat poison, suitable also for killing mice, moles, beetles and cockroaches, is offered by Brooke, Parker & Co., Ltd., Ashfield, Bradford, Yorks, under the name Vermex. Terms are given on another page.

Poppy Day.—Appeals to chemists to give generously on Poppy Day (November 11) are made in this issue by Burgoyne, Burbidges & Co., Ltd., London, E.6; 'Arthur H. Cox & Co., Ltd., Brighton; and Jeffreys, Miller & Co., Ltd., Leyland Mills, Wigan.

Soluble Sanitary Towels.—Carus, of Hoddlesdon, Atlantic, Hampden and Spotland Bridge Mills, Darwen, Lancs, claim that the name Carus has been accepted as a mark of quality since 1875. The company's Mexsol soluble sanitary towels are available for immediate delivery.

Whooping-cough Elixir.—Terms to chemists for a specially formulated elixir to relieve whooping cough are announced in this issue by Hough, Hoseason & Co., Ltd., Pendleton, Manchester. A sample and a list of the firm's other specialities will be supplied by the makers on request.

Reduced Allocation.—Owing to exhaustion of stocks of honey, sugar and other items now under strict control, International Chemical Co., Ltd., Braydon Road, London, N.16, state that they are now compelled to restrict sales of Pineate honey cough syrup to a percentage of sales made in the corresponding period of 1942.

Proprietary Articles Trade Association

Alterations to Protected List. — Glaxo Laboratories, Ltd. (correction), Plexan ampoules, 6×2 c.c., 6s. 8d., 6os. doz.

Hudson's Vegetable Leaflets (distributors, Sangers, Ltd.), 4s. 9½d. doz., tax 4s. 9½d. doz., inclusive retail price, 1s. Cash discount of 3½ per cent. seven days withdrawn.

Johnson & Johnson (Gt. Britain), Ltd. Prices

fohnson & Johnson (Gt. Britain), Ltd. Prices in Ireland (Eire): Johnson's baby and toilet powder, 15. 6d., 12s. 6d. doz.; one to three doz., 12s. 6d. doz.; over three doz., 12s. 4d. doz.

Osborne, Bauer & Cheeseman, Ltd. (distri tors, Sangers, Ltd.). Glynniel medicated je in jars, 6s. doz., tax is. doz., i.r.p. 10d. Potter & Clarke, Ltd. Dr. Thompson's dan

Potter & Clarke, Ltd. Dr. Thompson's dan lion coffee, 4-oz., 1s. 4d., 1rs. 6d. doz.; 8-2s. 4\(\frac{1}{2}\)d., 22s. 6d. doz.; 1-lb., 4s. 1d.; 38s. doz. (exempt from tax).

Veno Drug Co., Ltd., increased pri November 1: Germolene toilet soap, 5s. 9d. doz., tax 1s. 11d. doz., i.r.p. 9d.

Deletions from the List.—Jeyes Sanit Compounds Co., Ltd., Jeyes fluid, 7d. si Thomas Kerfoot & Co., Ltd., Castols, Neen Stimuloids; King & Hudson, Ltd., make Constitution of Constitution of the Constitution of Constitution Stimuloids; King & Hitason, Lia., inhar specific, 40-oz. liquid; Knoll, Ltd., Ver ampoules and liquid; Kolynos, Ltd., Koly liquid, 6d. size; Lofthouse & Saltmer, L Losall's pills, 4s. size, lysol, 16-oz. and 32 sizes, halibut-liver oil capsules, 100's, halibutliver oil, 1-02. size; London and Colo Export Co., Ltd., Irvona tonic tablets, 5s. s. Lorimer-Marshall, Ltd., gold medal chem food, 2-lb. size; Macleans, Ltd., Maclean mach tablets, 5s. size; Bob Martin, Ltd., Ble shampoo; Stephen Matthews & Co., Ltd., C cones, 12s. 7d. size, Vicaps, 7s. 5d. size; Med Biological Laboratories, Ltd., St. James' ba 1s. size; Milner & Coke, Ltd., O.Q.T. powde Henry C. Miner, Ltd., liquid stockings, Li Milk of olives, is. 6d. size, Seam Stik; Oa Co., Oatine cream, i-lb. size, Royal Co Tintona hair dyes, 2s. 6d. and 4s. sizes; C H. Phillips Chemical Co., Ltd., Milk of magn tablets, 6d. and 3s. sizes; Pompeian Co., I vanishing and cold creams; Ponds Extract Ltd., Pond's vanishing and cold creams, tubes; Roche Products, Ltd., Sedobrol seda bouillon, tins of 100; Dr. Charles Rooke, L Dor. Rooke's pills; Sorubb & Co., Ltd., Scrut ammonia, 7d. size; A. F. Sherley & Co., I Lactol biscuits; Silf Co., Ltd., Silf tablets, size; Dr. Singha Co., Ltd., Asthma tablets, and 20s. sizes; Therapeutic Products, Alberts, Silf Co., Ltd., Silf tablets, and 20s. sizes; Therapeutic Products, I therapeutic Products, Albulactin, 3s. 6d. size, Kalzana tablets, 1s. Albulactin, 3s. od. size, Rabana date, sizie; Voltas, Ltd., Voltas, 8½d. and 3s. 9d. siz A. Wander, Ltd., granulated kola glyceropl phates, granulated kola quinine, Ovaltine che late, 1s. size, Ovaltine rusks, 6d. size, Ph pastilles, tamarind laxatives, No. 1 Veg baby food, all sizes, No. 2, 5s. size; prices Eire for Ovaltine; William R. Warner & Ltd., Anusol ointment, Veganin tablets, to of 20, Vince powder; Westminster Laborator Ltd., Brooklax and Bonomint, two-tablet is Marting liquid. Winglestorth, Ltd. Opes by Magtriz liquid; Wigglesworth, Ltd., Opas br MacLean powder, 8d. size; Squire & Sons, I Ferocal, 6s. size; Brand & Co., Ltd., inv calf's foot jelly, plain, all sizes except 10with wine, all sizes.

Business Change

DISLEY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY, Lot has acquired the pharmacy at Fount Square, Disley, Cheshire—the only pl macy in the village.

NATIONAL PHARMACEUTICAL UNION

INGS of the Executives of the National naceutical Union and Chemists' De-Association were held in London on or 27, Mr. T. Heseltine in the chair. SECRETARY, reporting on work undersince the previous meeting of the tive, dealt with developments in the tution of the proposed Joint Industroucil for retail pharmacy. It had arranged with the Ministry of Labour meeting should be held on October hen the matter would be considered in , and the Executive, taking into contion the views expressed by branches, cted their representatives on the to adopt at this meeting.

etter from the Board of Trade stated he President of the Board, after conion with the chairman of the Central Regulation Committee, had decided point a new Committee for the London to deal with the work under the ion of Retail Businesses Order, 1942 C. & D., October 16, p. 376). The ary reported that he had submitted gestion to the Board of Trade that minent pharmacist, having a wide ledge of existing pharmaceutical consist in London, should be appointed to committee.

report on arrangements made under glucose tablets would be available abetic patients to avert attacks of glycæmia was received and approved.

ution on Premises Registration Fee

was resolved to send the following tion to the Council of the Pharmacal Society about the proposed increase remises fee: "That this Executive to the necessity of increasing the ises retention fee, and urges that the nt raised from this source shall be ally earmarked for the Society's buildind."

ions with P.A.T.A.

letter from the secretary of the Proary Articles Trade Association stated the Council of the P.A.T.A. neither orted nor opposed unlimited distribution medicinal proprietary articles, and the guiding principle of the Association hat no artificial restrictions other than required to make price-maintenance ive should be placed by the Association de distribution of proprietary articles to P.A.T.A. list. The Council of the

P.A.T.A. would, however, be prepared to consider any practical suggestions in regard to their present policy which the Executive of the N.P.U. wished to put forward. Proposals were therefore formulated by the Executive for the reorganisation of the P.A.T.A. to meet the wishes of retail chemists regarding the unlimited distribution of proprietary medicines.

Organisation

A report of a meeting of the special local organisation subcommittee held on September 22 was received, and it was resolved that the matter should be discussed in detail at the next meeting of the Executive. In the meantime, the Local Organisations Officer was authorised to incur such expenses as might be necessary in arranging a special series of district meetings to be held between November 1, 1943, and March 31, 1944.

The Executive considered the method that should be adopted for the labelling of authorised alternatives for sal volatile and sweet spirit of nitre, in order to secure uniformity of practice and safeguard members from misdescription.

War Aid Funds

The Secretary reported that there had been no further claims on the Air Raid Mutual Assistance Fund since the previous meeting of the Executive. A claim outstanding for some time had been completed by payment of £12. A report from the War Distress Fund Committee for the period ended July 31 was also received.

National Health Insurance

The secretary's report on arrangements made to call a conference of Pharmaceutical Committees at the earliest opportunity after the issue of the Government's white paper on a proposed National Medical Service was received and approved. Minister of Health, at a recent deputation, having invited suggestions for improve-ments in the existing N.H.I. service that were desirable in the interests of the public, it was resolved that Pharmaceutical Committees should be invited to submit suggestions affecting the chemists' service. secretary submitted a memorandum outlining proposals for future N.H.I. pharmaceutical organisation. It was resolved that no immediate action should be taken, but that the secretary's proposals should be considered in detail when it was known

what form the Government's proposals was to take. A letter from the Middlesex Pharmaceutical Committee asked that a protest should be sent to the Minister of Health at the increasing practice of panel doctors ordering prescriptions containing multiple doses. It was resolved to send a letter to the Middlesex Committee declaring that the Central N.H.I. Committee was fully aware of the present unsatisfactory position, and that the practice would be taken into consideration when formulating proposals for the provision of a new national pharmaceutical service. The Central N.H.I. Committee was advised of the shortage of cataplasma kaolini and ephedrine. secretary was instructed to make inquiries as to present supplies and if necessary to make representation to the Ministry of

Health in an endeavour to remedy present unsatisfactory position.

Chemists' Defence Association

Settlements approved by the dire included payments of £290 arising of the supply of eye-drops, £36 damage personal injuries following a sun accident, and £20 compensation for do flambs alleged to have been caused defective preparation. Other claims left in the hands of the secretary. I defence had been provided in three where members had been summoned the Food and Drugs Act in respect of of gelatin; in two cases a successful ranty defence had been pleaded, and in other the prosecution had been withdreach side paying its own costs.

SOUTH AFRICAN MEDICAL SUPPLIES

KIDNEY trays, formerly imported, are now among goods pressed in South Africa and chromium plated. The difficulty of obtaining such chemists' supplies as tooth-paste, denture powder, tooth powder and hairfixing cream has encouraged the local manufacture of these items, and a fair number are now appearing on the market under branded names. Most of the ingredients used are South African. Despite this activity there is still a considerable scarcity, and whenever small quantities of famous British brands come on to the market there is keen demand for them. Manufacturers are finding the provision of containers a major problem, but the shortage is being met in part by the local production of wooden containers.

Cape Cosmetics

Cosmetics made in South Africa, to compensate for the growing lack of imported lines, are being packed in such containers. Certain supplies have been imported from South America, but it seems that this trade is now to decline, as the South African Government does not seem eager to let too much business go to the Argentine. South African manufacturers are attempting many new medicinal specialities, but it is now being suggested that plans should be laid for a heavy importation after the war of the various supplies that have now become depleted, and which it might be possible for Great Britain to ship. Certain South African drugs and medicines are being exported to the Belgian Congo and other territories in Africa, but such exports are so hedged in by Government restrictions

that they are not of considerable bulk there have been complaints from countries at the small quantities they been receiving. The local quinine su is expected to improve with the incre production and manufacture of quinit the Belgian Congo, where the output been largely increased since the war. that stocks of saccharin may be prim reserved for diabetic patients, the Contr of Medical Requisites has published order in the Government "Gazette E ordinary" freezing all stocks and ca for returns of stocks held and on o Saccharin may at present be obtaine permit only, and these permits are is only by the Controller of Medical Requi-It is expected that when the surve complete the freezing order will be vi in accordance with the stock position closed. Only if there is a surpluspermits be granted for the use of sacch otherwise than by diabetic patients.

Standards Maintained

In spite of the war the Departmer Public Health is carefully controlling South African factories manufactic chemical requirements. It has not mitted the importation of drugs below set standards. The medical frater even in war-time, is thus under no nece to question the purity and potency of products as antitoxic sera, insulin, digitand various immunising agents. It also been shown that digitalis m factured in South Africa from the loc grown foxglove can be as valuable as imported product.

ARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY OF GREAT BRITAIN

monthly meeting of the Pharmaceu-Society's Council was held at 17 nsbury Square, London, W.C.I, on mber 3. The REGISTRAR said that had been fifty-two persons registered prentices or students since the last ng and there were fifteen names to be ed to the Register of Chemists and gists with retrospective effect—people e names had been removed during the nt year. The Council agreed to the ations. A similar resolution was sary for five persons whose names removed during previous years. greed. Four premises removed from Register during the current year and luring a previous year were agreed to stored. The Council agreed to award mas to twenty persons who had been mended by the examiners for the ma in Biochemical Analysis. naceutical chemists who had passed xamination were awarded diplomas.

E PRESIDENT (Mr. W. S. Howells) then

nittees

eded to deal with the minutes of arious committees. Mr. P. F. Rowsubmitted the Education Committee tes, and said it was the primary duty e Council to deal with the syllabus for examinations, but he and his Come felt that they wanted all the help could get from the examiners, and the teachers, in framing the syllabus. minutes were seconded and adopted. R. J. F. McNeal moved acceptance of minutes of the Benevolent Fund Come. Mr. Rowsell said he wished to ratulate the Committee on the care and ation they had given to a case in which vas interested, and if they gave the care and attention to every other he could say that they were deserving ne utmost praise. The minutes were ted. Mr. L. M. Parry, in reply to tions, said that there was no fixed agefor annuitants. The cases mentioned ne minutes were ones which had been he Benevolent Fund for many years, the circumstances had not changed, the Council would appreciate the fact although they were placed on the list anuitants, the amount could be varied time to time if circumstances changed. y had very carefully selected cases te the circumstances had not changed a number of years, and there was no on to suspect they would change in the

future. He thanked Mr. Rowsell for his praise of the Committee.

MR. A. R. Melhuish moved the minutes of the Establishment Committee; Mr. H. G. Shaw the minutes of the Finance Committee; and Mr. F. C. Wilson the minutes of the Organisation Committee. All were received and adopted.

Mr. J. F. Appleton moved the minutes

of the Public Service Committee.

Work under Difficulties

Mr. J. F. McNeal said he had recently visited Tunbridge Wells and had found that one of the members of the local branch had been seriously ill for some time. Though not actually well enough he had returned to business to carry on the work which was so very necessary in that area. It seemed that a good many pharmacists were carrying on their work under great difficulties, and without any publicity, and it seemed to him they should pay some tribute to the pharmacists who were working under such difficulties and helping to carry on the health services of the country.

The Society acknowledged a letter from the Army Council concerning pharmacy in the Royal Army Medical Corps, stating that the Army Council would raise no objection to the publication of correspondence between themselves and the Society. A Press conference would later be held by the Society, at which the documents would be issued, and the president would explain them to the Press. The minutes of the Committee were approved.

War Aid

MR. W. DEACON moved the minutes of the War Aid Committee, and said it had been one of the happiest meetings held since the inauguration of the fund. They had received many letters of appreciation following assistance from the fund. Two of their members had been repatriated, and the husband of one of the ladies whom they had helped arrived home to find his wife was a fully qualified pharmacist, and so, pulling together, they would be very happy. They had elected to give a further sum of floo for gifts to prisoners of war and internees. The minutes were adopted.

Mr. J. H. Franklin said they had started a refresher course in Manchester. He hoped other centres would do likewise if

they possibly could.

The Council then went into secret session.

DEPUTY SECRETARY IN SCOTLAND

MR. F. W. Adams (deputy secretary of the Pharmaceutical Society) addressed meetings of the Glasgow and South-western Scottish and Edinburgh and South-eastern Scottish Branches of the Pharmaceutical Society recently on "The Report of the Committee of Inquiry." Mr. D. Gemmell presided at Glasgow and Mr. J. H. Tainsh at Edinburgh.

Inquiry Committee's Report

Mr. Adams described the main features of the Report, drawing attention to what he thought were its main lessons. He held that pharmacy's tendency during the past sixty years to become commercialised should be reversed. Pharmacy in shops should be practised as a profession, based upon the pharmacist being the authority on all aspects of medicines, and giving his whole time to pharmaceutical work. The conception needed to be accompanied by a revised attitude towards the relations between dispensing and prescribing. The facts of the situation required that the pharmacist should concern himself more with the action and uses of drugs as the collaborator of the prescriber. Secondly, the practice of pharmacy in shops needed to be limited to pharmacy in shops needed to be limited to pharmacy in shops needed to be limited to pharmacy in shops needed to be shown in the same of the shops needed to be shown in the same of the same o macists and conducted on a co-operative and not on a competitive basis. pharmacy should be organised as a public service and integrated with other branches of the health services. Among methods of achieving these objectives was the creation of a public corporation for pharmacy. Apart from its immediate advantage, such an organisation would facilitate in adapting pharmaceutical practice to the ultimate requirements of a national medical service. The idea of a public corporation had found support in medical circles for medical purposes.

Effect of Beveridge Report

Mr. T. Guthrie (a past-president of the Society), at the Glasgow meeting, said he had been a member of the Committee of Inquiry, and knew the labour put in by Mr. Adams as its secretary. Most of the evidence had been taken before the war, and he felt that certain things had happened in the last four years that would affect the conclusions of the Committee. The Beveridge Report had been issued, and in England the chemists expected their dispensing to be doubled or trebled. In Scotland chemists were not likely to get much more than at present. Insurance dispensing brought in

from £100 to £150 for the average she Scotland, but pharmacists were distribt of goods as well as dispensers. This we continue even if the Beveridge scheame in. They had to take steps to see they were not only the dispensers of scriptions but also the only distributo medicines. He dissociated himself the proposal to have additional mem of the Council appointed by the F Council.

DR. JOSEPH TAIT said that circumsta had caused the issue of both parts of Report at unfortunate times. A far i important part in the prescribing of n cines should be taken by chemists, throthe information they could give to doctor.

Mr. Colin Campbell, Glasgow, said the Society in 1925 had raised the stan of its examinations. Had the status of pharmacist also been raised? How did status of the pharmacist in the U. compare with that of the British pharmac

Tendencies in the U.S.A.

MR. ADAMS said he did not think improvement of the pharmacist's educa had resulted in raising his status: reason was that they had not controt the conditions of practice in shops, an was vital to improve those conditi Developments in the U.S.A. were not allel with those in Britain because recently the U.S.A. was an undevelocountry. This had affected the chara of American pharmacies, but there had I a significant breaking away from the gen store type and the number of strictly fessional pharmacies seemed to be grow

MR. W. SPENCE CULBERT said they come to the cross-roads, and the time perhaps come when commercialism professionalism should be separated. they were trained and examined in pi macy they should get their living f pharmacy. Why should they do Insura Act dispensing at non-remunerative ra Further, only those with a certificate sho be allowed to dispense. The Departmen Health for Scotland had said there v too many pharmacists: it meant the were too many dispensing units. At pres they had to bolster up their dispensing v commodities they were not proud of sell Labelling of the ingredients in patent m cines had not diminished sales of the products.

MR. COLIN CAMPBELL said pharmac

from diluted labour. Would the in future regulate the number of ices in proportion to the number

fied?

DAMS said the sale of drugs was as ie job of the pharmacist as dispensshould not be carried on by other

There should be no dispensing

supervision.'

STONE said he felt pharmacy had supervise the professional activities nembers. Hundreds of men in the would come back to nothing. in favour of the State taking pharer. It would ensure them a pension

CULBERT declared that the chemist ever get a monopoly of drug selling. ADAMS said that pharmacists had b serious effort to change conditions. ad gone with the stream and taken rse that gave them the easiest kind g. They lacked confidence in them-

A. B. GILMOUR asked if Mr. Adams they could prevent the advertising rietary medicines.—The reply was all depended on the effort made.

tices

McCrone said that apprentices were d to be instructed in the art of disbut when they presented themfor examination they had a sound dge of theory but were deficient on ctical side. No college could cover ects of dispensing in nine months. ciety, through its inspectors, should t the pharmacist did his duty to the

LOWRIE SINCLAIR, Greenock, asked University-trained student was not etter position to pass the Pharma-I Chemist examination than external ts. Were the students' books, which ere compelled to show, ever exam-He did not believe that the average reached the money amount quoted Guthrie for N.H.I. dispensing. He ed control of pharmacy by the State. ADAMS said that there was usually a proportion of passes among "interandidates for examination, and DR. explained that the books were asked make sure that the student had done escribed work.

es to Speaker

Somerville, Edinburgh, said at the urgh meeting he had seldom heard a more in accord with his own point of view. It was refreshing to hear a speaker from officialdom asking for action rather than reaction and aiming for a specific goal

rather than for a compromise.

THE CHAIRMAN then introduced Mr. DEACON (a past-president of the Society), who paid a tribute to Mr. Adams for the work which he had put into the Reports of the Committee of Inquiry. These volumes, he was sure, would become two of the great classics of pharmacy.

Charter Change Urged

Mr. Teesdale, Edinburgh, hoped the meeting would be only the first of a series of discussions in their area on the future of pharmacy. The Report had been drafted before any immediate changes in the country's health service had been contemplated; consequently it was unbiased. It clearly showed the need for altering the Charter's object from the protection of those who carry on business as chemists and druggists to the protection of pharmacists. This should be done without delay. The statement in the Report that the number of members of Council appointed by the Privy Council should be increased, the additional members being pharmacists, required elucidation, and he would like to hear Mr. Adams's views: it appeared that the normal desirable democratic procedure should be adhered to. The present lack of virility of their Council and Executive could be traced to absence of an election for three years. It was to be hoped no pretext would be found for postponement in 1944. An infusion of younger pharmacists was urgently required; the principle of co-option had not been a In Scotland members of the Executive had stated, at the annual meetings, how anxious they were to welcome young employee pharmacists to the Executive, but when a vacancy occurred was it a young man they co-opted? No, it was not even a middle-aged man; the Executive had co-opted an octogenarian. Appointment of members by the Privy Council might have the same faults. The statement that the formation of an organisation adequately representing the interest of employee pharmacists was desirable also required clarification. Did not such organisations already exist? They had the Association of Pharmaceutical Employees in retail pharmacy, the Guild of Public Pharmacists in hospital pharmacy, and the Association of Scientific Workers on the manufacturing side.

(To be concluded)

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set that goods made of raw materials rt supply owing to war conditions are sed in this paper or described in its al columns should not be taken as an tion that they are necessarily available bort.

Industry after the War

se days of widespread speculation on ost-war prospects of industry it is ating to read an address by an rial leader in which the case for ry is clearly set out in a dispassionate ractical manner. Sir George Nelson, ent of the Federation of British tries, speaking at Manchester er 29, covered the whole subject, ing on problems such as relations en the United States and Great n, controls, private enterprise, organiof industry, and cartels. On the on of control Sir George takes the line here is danger when the war is won in ct that everybody will want to make lelayed purchases. Supplies will still nited; demand will be great with a quent threat of inflation. To counter hreat control of prices and rationing ave to continue, but on a diminishing depending on the rate at which supare built up. But controls and ling must be brought to an end so that again trade may be operated in a fashion ded as normal in the pre-war years at rly a date as possible.

Early Reduction of Taxation

With regard to taxation Sir George thinks that this must be reduced as early as possible after the war, and due relief given for depreciation on buildings, amortisation of patents, wastage of assets, and research. Depreciation allowances, he considers, should be blocked for expenditure on the items for which they are allowed; when war came, despite allowances that had been made for depreciation, plant and machinery in many factories were inefficient and obsolete.

Private Enterprise

Sir George has a good deal to say on private enterprise which, he thinks, can quite well play the greatest possible part if those responsible for its direction justify themselves by their actions and by the results achieved. Private enterprise, he reminded his hearers, is essentially the system of payment by results, and if a private enterpriser is wrong he, and any whom he may have been able to convince, stand the loss. Another task before the country is to inquire how industry, as represented by the trade association movement, can best be organised. His view is that each section of industry should possess an efficient trade association to deal with its own domestic concerns. For the consideration of matters affecting the industry as a whole, those sections should co-operate by establishing either a joint committee or another form of organisation that will enable the whole industry to express its views. Progress has been made in this direction by many branches of industry but much remains to be done.

Cartels

Speaking as one holding no interest in cartels, and therefore impartial, Sir George argues that there must be some measure of cartelisation for fundamental reasons if we are in future to achieve security from aggression. One of these reasons is that no country in the world should be allowed to live in prosperity at the expense of unemployment and misery in another, otherwise war will come again. Secondly, efforts must be made to ensure that capital and manufacturing capacity are not created greatly

in excess of the world's needs, as such a process ultimately promotes cut-throat competition and slumps. Without arguing the details or the safeguards necessary to maintain the urge to advance and achievement, he urges that cartelisation should organise for efficient production, with consequent lower prices, to serve a country's needs and its share in world demand. Should the method be associated with an economic price level, there remains, in his view, wide scope for enterprise and initiative in service and quality.

Under One Umbrella

THE motto of the National Pharmaceutical Union is "Prodesse Quam Conspici," which is officially translated as "To be of use rather than conspicuous." From a statement in the September bulletin issued by the N.P.U. it appears that this motto may have to be reconsidered. Briefly, the Union announces that in future its policy will, in certain circumstances, be, (a) to regard itself more and more as an employers' organisation, and (b) to "intervene as a counterbalancing factor" to employees when the Council elections take place. The motives behind the change of attitude are stated to be, first, increasing pressure from the Ministry of Labour, which is proposing to introduce into pharmacy a Joint Industrial Council; and secondly, the activities of other sections of the profession, notably the employees, in putting forward their own candidates in the Society's Council elections. Branch meetings are being asked to discuss the formation of a Joint Industrial Council, and this subject was discussed at length in last week's issue.

Unfounded Anxiety

If the N.P.U. has fears of what the employees may do on the Society's Council, it is pertinent to ask whether there are any real and solid grounds for its anxieties. Members of the Society naturally have a great interest in and enthusiasm for their own Society, which is a venerable body with a record of over a century's fruitful work, and which is, moreover, the embodiment of the high ideals and practical sagacity of those pioneers who first foresaw that pharmacy could become an organised and

purposeful calling. The fact rem however, that in some of the main issu the present day the Society is, by reaso its Charter and of interpretations give the Courts, virtually impotent. Emplo if they gained every seat on the Cou might attempt to remodel the training ditions of apprentices, but could do to better the working conditions of ployed pharmacists. Similarly, the prietor pharmacists, if they in turn sec a monopoly of seats, could, if they will take action through the Benevolent to provide for unfortunate pharma who for any reason had become destior could, through the Statutory Commi supervise the disciplinary action t against members who had offended ag accepted standards of professional conbut they would be debarred by the Je decision from dealing with those matters of business interest which are nearest concern.

The Right Course

Among the various sections of men of the Pharmaceutical Society, the Nat Pharmaceutical Union is admittedly best organised, and it is particular fortunate in one respect, namely, th can make direct approach to the Go ment on any matter in which it is intere The employees, on the other hand, s as they are represented by the Associof Pharmaceutical Employees, can appr the Government only through the la trade union of which their associforms a part. No doubt the Union will such action in the interests of pharmac cal employees as it can, but its effective is bound to be greatest when those inte coincide with the needs of shop assistar general. There are, however, occasion which employee pharmacists are closely linked with proprietor, hospital other pharmacists than with shop assist The employers, through the N.P.U., frequently found that they are at a advantage in negotiations through having been able to secure the suppo other sections of the trade or even a k ledge of the policy of other pharmacer bodies. This frustration is probably a bottom of their desire now to seek r sentation on the Council. In so far as

nuine conflict of interests, the result itable. We suggest, however, that st pharmaceutical questions today a measure of agreement among all s. The real need is to find a method ch this can be ascertained and given For the reasons already suggested, pubtful whether the Council of the is in a position to do this. Could N.P.U. direct its efforts to securing anent forum on which all sections pharmaceutical and drug trade were nted? We have persistently urged rmation of such an "umbrella" ation. Misunderstanding and misction of the activities of sectional s would be avoided. A measure of n agreement could be hammered d vigorous action taken, which, by such a powerful and representady, would command attention with ble hopes of achieving success.

mall Traders Organise

INCIL of Retail Distributors was at a conference of traders' organisahambers of commerce and chambers e from all over the country, held lon on October 29. Invitations were to some 200 organisations, and it ated that delegates were present 33 of them, representing 155,000 raders or 35 per cent. of the total business in Great Britain. Captain Gammans (Member of Parliament rnsey Division) was voted to the t the conference, and he was subsev elected chairman of the provisional ve committee of thirty, representing areas into which the country has ivided for the purpose of the work new council. Mr. Collingwood s (the organising secretary and conof the conference) said that the retail was face to face with a crisis. The ons for him were alarming. Many en called to the Forces and had had se down; others had had their es destroyed by enemy action and t been able to start again. Altogether 100,000 small traders had been put business. It was emphasised that w body was not intended to displace pplant any of the existing small

trader organisations but, on the contrary, to weld them together and provide a central council which could speak unitedly and with authority in the interests of small traders generally.

Combine and Fight

Captain Gammans said he did not think the small traders had a hope of survival unless they were prepared to combine and fight. If they were, then he was their man and he would fight with them. When the resolution for the formation of the Council of Retail Distributors was put forward for discussion, Mr. H. G. May (London and Suburban Traders' Federation) strongly opposed it on the ground that so many small traders' organisations already existed and were federated with various national bodies. He mentioned that the National Chamber of Trade represented fifty national bodies and 500 affiliated chambers of commerce, and said he was very surprised to know that the Chamber had not been invited to the conference. Before a decision was taken to form a new body, it should be considered carefully whether the position was not best dealt with by bringing fresh blood into the existing organisations. The resolution to form the new organisation was carried, with some half a dozen dissentients, in a conference of about two hundred. Included in the list of delegates to the conference were Messrs. E. J. Andrews, F. Edwards, and J. Patterson (Photographic Dealers' Association); and W. Crumblehulme, H. Noble, and W. J. Tristram (National Pharmaceutical Union). Members of the provisional executive committee include Messrs. W. Crumblehulme (N.P.U.), J. Petterson and F. Edwards (P.D.A.) Patterson, and F. Edwards (P.D.A.).

Australian Pharmaceutical Service

The Australian Federal Government has made clear its intention to introduce a national medical service in the Commonwealth. The Council of the Federated Pharmaceutical Service Guild of Australia, the Pharmaceutical Association, and the Executive of the National Health Insurance Research Bureau, have therefore decided to call upon every pharmacist in practice in the Commonwealth to subscribe to a fund for carrying out the work of planning the pharmaceutical aspects of such a service.

A COLLEGE IN EXILE

The School of Pharmacy of the Pharmaceutical Society is now back in London after being evacuated at Cardiff for over four years. In a report which was presented at the opening recently of the first session in London after the return, the Dean of the College (Mr. H. Berry, B.Sc., Dip. Bact., A.I.C., Ph.C.) gave an account of the work done at Cardiff and made some observations on the problems facing pharmacists

generally today. He said:-

To return home after a long exile is generally an occasion for rejoicing and celebration, and the return of the College to its old habitation is no exception to the rule. The College was in danger of losing its identity, forgetting its traditions. It was the good fortune of the School to be offered the hospitality of the University of Wales, at Cardiff. -While in Cardiff we met perfect hospitality, generous and unselfish, from our hosts, from the Welsh College of Pharmacy, and from citizens in every walk of life. The four years were not The senior staff maintained unfruitful. contact with activities in London. Research was pursued, although gradually number of research workers dwindled. Eight students were awarded the degree of Ph.D. Three members of the staff passed the B.Sc. with Honours and two Pereira medals came to the College. Twenty-three B.Pharm., twenty-four Ph.C. and seventyfive chemist and druggist qualifications were obtained.

Staff Changes

There have been many changes in the staff. Professor Gaddum resigned his chair in pharmacology to take that at Edinburgh. Dr. West is acting head of the Department of Physiology. The number of men demonstrators has been considerably reduced; and the staff now possesses a preponderance of women. Lastly, we extend our sincere congratulations to Dr. Wallis on his Conference chairmanship.

Pharmacy's Present Problems

It is to be regretted that the organisation of the national effort for war does not find a greater use and recognition for the professional skill of the young highly-qualified pharmacist. The problem of pharmaceutical commissions in the fighting services is one which has been acute during and since the last war. We know that the Council is alive to the problem and is, I am sure, making every effort to find a

solution, but time is passing by. Ti passing, too, in the much more impo problem of post-war pharmaceutical tion, for here the situation is getting or The probable position of the phare the contemplated reorganisation medical services has been and is bein ventilated. The Council and other ph ceutical bodies are very active in the m and I do not wish to express an o here as to the probable outcome. What the outcome, one thing is certain, th University degrees in pharmacy w reorganised. In fact, that reorgani has already begun. The Norwood Spens reports on education, although yet adopted by the Government, seem to be so, and this University at le working now on the assumption that will be adopted. They suggest a co entrance examination to a universi approximately the standard of the p Higher School Certificate, only tak five or six subjects instead of four. examination, taken at the age of eight plus, will replace matriculation and mediate. The boy will pass int University of London for a final course which will be required to over three years. One proposal is th number of subjects taken should de with succeeding years so that he specialises in one subject only in the year. It may be therefore that we produce what will be in effect an ho degree in pharmacy.

Society's Scholarship Award

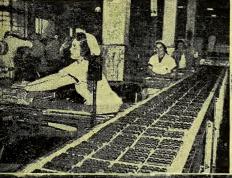
Scholarships for pre-graduate awarded on the results of an Scholarships examination conducte the Pharmaceutical Society and op Student Associates have been grante year as follows: JACOB BELL MEM SCHOLARSHIP.—Eva Mary Dickinson. CHESTER PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCI SCHOLARSHIP.—Kenneth William Mc LEVERHULME SCHOLARSHIPS .-- (1) Ke Eric Parsons; (2) Mildred Gertrude G. (3) William Burke. DEVON AND CORN EXHIBITION IN PHARMACY.—No a NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DENTSHIPS IN PHARMACY.—Bernard Martin and John Eric Pearson. HERBY Prizes.—Stephen Benjamin Challen (t medal) and Geoffrey Shaw (bronze m Pereira Medal.—Gerald James (bronze medal).

TAMINIS E D

QUANTITIES of chocolate with added vitanins have been specially requisitioned by he Ministry of Food from Cadbury Bros., .td., and other makers, to build up reserves or use in relieving starvation in the occu-pied countries of Europe when they are iberated by the Allied armies.

- Grinding the chocolate-a process repeated several imes.
- . Blocks of vitamin chocolate arriving on the conveyor selt in the packing department.
- Chocolate being fed into polished moulds during nanufacture.
- . Testing the vitamin content. .









TRADE MARKS

(From "The Trade Marks Journal," October 13)

"AGROPOL"; for industrial chemicals, chemical products used in agriculture, etc. (other than insecticides, fungicides and preparations for killing weeds), and for natural and artificial

manures (1).

"ALAZONE"; for bleaching preparations, etc.
(3). By B. Laporte, Ltd., Kingsway, Luton,
Beds. 624,040; 623,176.

"KLEEWARE PLASTICS" on oblong shape; for

cosmetic powder and rouge boxes wholly or partly made of thermo-setting or thermoplastic mouldable material (3) and for goods (14), (21), (26), (28) and (34). By O. & M. Kleemann, Ltd., 158-62 Oxford Street, London, W.I. B623, 419-24 (All associated).

"SRAT"; for perfumes, non-medicated toilet preparations, etc. (3). By H. Ibbetson, Ib-co Works, Great North Road, Stevenage,

Herts. 623,947. "SLIPCO"; for sanitary and disinfecting preparations for agricultural, veterinary and household purposes and for weed and vermin destroyers (5). By A. E. Zeumer, North Street, Middle Barton, Oxford. 619,709 (Associated).

"Nervollen"; for preparations for alleviating headaches and neuralgia (5). By J. D. Waddell, 255 Mosspark Drive, Glasgow,

S.W.2. 622,548. "HOLOYD"; for medicines for human use (5), meat extracts, etc. (29), baking powder, etc. (30), goods (31) and for beverage preparations (32). By H. O. Lloyd, 10-11 Suffolk Cheltenham. Parade, 623,504-08 Associated).

"VITONE"; pharmaceutical capsules, pellets and tablets for human use (5). By Hough, Hoseason & Co., Ltd., Sun Buildings,

Bridge Street, Manchester. 623,530. "Debusan"; for antiseptics, disinfectants, bandages, surgical dressings, sanitary towels and tampons (5). By Mary I. Downing, 32 Hillside Avenue, Clarkesfield, Oldham. 624,435.

APPLICATION AMENDMENT

According to "The Trade Marks Journal," October 13, 1943, specification No. 619,629, by Johnson & Johnson (Great Britain), Ltd., has been altered so as to read: "Surgical adhesive plasters for export.

(From "The Trade Marks Journal," October 20)

"Meggeson" in script characters across design of St. George and the dragon; for perfumes, non-medicated toilet preparations, etc. (3), and for all goods except ointments and similar goods (5). By Meggeson & Co., Ltd., Llewellyn Grove, Llewellyn Street, Ber-London, S.E. 16. mondsey, 623,719-20 (Associated).
"Tianda" and "Tandal"; for non-medicated

toilet preparations, soaps, dentifrices, perfumes and hair lotion (3). By Coty (England), Ltd., 3 Stratford Place, London, W.I.

623,962 (Associated); 623,963.

COMING EVENTS

Monday, November 8

ROMFORD BRANCH OF THE PHARMACE! SOCIETY, Market Room, Golden Lion at 7.30 p.m. Mr. F. C. Wilson (a men the Society's Council), opening a disc on the proposed revision of the So "Statement upon Matters of Profe Conduct."

Tuesday, November 9

BRIGHTON AND HOVE ASSOCIATION OF MACY, Union Church Institute Hall, Square, Brighton, at 7.15 p.m. meeting and musical entertainment.

AND BRANCH, Onward Hall, Dear Manchester, at 7.45 p.m. Mr. F. W. 4 (deputy secretary of the Pharmace Society) on "Pharmacy and the Bev Report." MANCHESTER . PHARMACEUTICAL

Wednesday, November 10

WIGAN BRANCH, NATIONAL PHARMACET UNION, Wigan Mining and Technical C Library Street, at 3 p.m. Mr. H. Ste (area representative) on "The N.P.U Work Today and Its Plan for Tomorr

GLASGOW AND SOUTH-WESTERN Branch of the Pharmaceutical So Highlanders' Institute, 27 Elmbank S at 7.30 p.m. Short papers by member the branch.

Thursday, November 11

PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY OF GREAT BR 17 Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C. 7 p.m. Mr. A. H. Tincker, M.A., D.S. "The Use of Plant Growth Substances.

WEST HAM AND EASTERN (LONDON) DIS Association of Pharmacists, The C Institute, 27 Romford Road, Stratford, at 2.45 p.m. Mr. J. F. McNeal (a mem Society's Council) on "Coming Pharmac

Friday, November 12

ROYAL INSTITUTION, 21 Albemarle London, W.1, at 4.30 p.m. Mr. C. D. Da ton, D.Sc., F.R.S. (Director, John Horticultural Institution), on "The (of Cultivated Plants."

Saturday, November 13

Guild of Public Pharmacists, 17 Bloom Square, London, W.C.1, at 2.45 p.m. A. R. G. Chamings, B.Pharm., Ph.C "An Up-to-date Survey of Ointments Creams."

The Merchant Navy.—Half-a-ton of v paper is needed to produce insula board for every new merchant ship. material is used to line the crew's qua as a protection against excessive heat cold.

CHEMICAL MANUFACTURERS' MEETING

twenty-seventh annual meeting of sociation of British Chemical Manuers was held in London recently, F. Merriam (chairman) presiding.

1 Report

annual report recorded a membert the end of the year of 167. The r of affiliated associations increased hteen. During the four war years 1939 membership increased by thirtyrms. During the year Mr. Dunhad unfortunately had to resign the hanship of the British Standards ition chemical divisional hairman of the Association had been by the Institution to fill the vacancy. raffic Committee met frequently.

rmistice Questions

ing adoption of the report, THE MAN said:-

ish first to refer to the sad loss we recently suffered by the death of ukes, and it is fitting that I should ablic tribute to his twenty-six years' in connexion with the traffic comfirst as chairman and later as try. Among the matters referred to Report is the work of the fuel ncy committees which have developed the past twelve months. During the the Ministry of Supply approached B.C.M. and other chemical industry tions in regard to certain postice questions. The Ministry asked formation to help in formulating a term policy for the period imme-y following cessation of hostilities. invitation of the A.B.C.M., all the concerned met together and agreed ue a uniform questionnaire to mem-A joint meeting was also held with ls of the Ministry of Supply and other nment departments interested, in to clarify certain doubtful points. eve this was the first occasion on which trade association connected with the ction of chemicals had met the nment as one body, and it was helpful welcomed as to concerned and a tments happy y for future collaboration. The ready ise of the Association to calls for from Government departments is y appreciated.

isation of the Association

our last annual meeting I referred to organisation of the Association and

suggested that we might have to consider, among other things, whether it was desirable for membership of a trade association, such as our own, to be compulsory for all firms in an industry, and whether the association should be in a position to enforce its decisions. During the year the views of members on these two points have been made quite clear in the course of answering a questionnaire issued by the Federation of British Industries. great majority were strongly averse to any form of compulsory membership of a trade association, nor did they wish for compulsory powers to be granted. During the year under review we have started a more intensive study of post-war problems by inviting groups and affiliated Associations to submit reports enabling the Council to appreciate the problems facing the various sections of the industry. Good progress has been made, but only one report has reached the stage of formal presenta-tion to the Council. Mr. Pratt, who is still working for the Ministry of Supply, where he has been for more than three years, has been able, since last January, to devote a certain amount of his time to this work. He is present today, and I hope we may have the advantage of hearing his views.

I think I am justified in saying that the chemical industry has done, and will continue to do, as much as any industry in the country to help in the national effort to win the war at the earliest moment. It is imperative that each firm in the chemical industry should undertake a thorough overhaul, in order to make itself more efficient and improve the

general efficiency of the industry.

I have now reached the end of my term as Chairman of the Association, and I cannot let this occasion pass without thanking the members very sincerely for their support during the past two years. I am especially grateful to our joint assistant managers, Messrs. Drake and Holden.

Officers and Council

The constitution of the Council for the ensuing year will be as follows: President, Dr. E. V. Evans, O.B.E. Vice-presidents, Dr. E. F. Armstrong, F.R.S., Dr. F. H. Carr, C.B.E., Messrs. R. Duncalfe, C. A. Hill, B.Sc., and C. F. Merriam, Sir Douid Miles Western C.B.E., Messrs. R. Duncalfe, C. A. Hill, B.Sc., and C. F. Merriain, Sir David Milne-Watson, Messrs. R. G. Perry, C.B.E., and E. Wallace. ELECTED MEMBERS: Chairman, Dr. P. C. C. Isherwood, O.B.E. Vice-chairman, Mr. L. P. O'Brien. Treasurer, Mr. C. E. Carey. Messrs. F. W. Bain, M.C., and T. R. G. Bennett, Dr. A. E. Everest, Messrs. G. E. Howard, H. Jephcott, W. F. Lutyens, J. H. Olliver, D. J. W. Orr, F. M. Roberts, K. H. Wilson, W. J. U. Woolcock, C.M.G., C.B.E., and H. Yeoman. Co-opted Members: Messrs. A. D. Daysh, C. G. Hayman and T. D. Morson, Lord Trent. The general and assistant managers are unchanged. and assistant managers are unchanged.

C.F. SECRETARY AT MANCHESTER

Mr. R. H. Kemp (secretary of the Chemists' Friends Association) addressed a meeting of the Manchester Pharmaceutical Association and local branches of the Pharmaceutical Society and the National Pharmaceutical Union, recently, Mr. W. Edwards in the chair. Mr. Kemp's subject was "Proprietary Medicines and the Future of Pharmacy." He spoke of the pioneer work of Sir William Glyn-Jones in establishing the Proprietary Articles Trade Association, thus assuring a definite profit to distributors of proprietary articles. He hoped the P.A.T.A. would remain a lasting memorial to one of the greatest figures known in pharmacy. He had a few days earlier examined, through advertisements in the pharmaceutical Press, the average rate of profit ruling on propri-etaries in the years 1895–1900. The average was 5 per cent. on turnover. Through the establishment of the P.A.T.A. this had been remedied, but the additional profit had attracted traders outside pharmacy. It had also attracted manufacturers whose interests were not pharmaceutical. It was necessary to complete the good work of Sir William and convince the manufacturer that the goodwill of the pharmacist was valuable to him.

Protection in the Future

Before the repeal of the Medicine Stamp duty, out of 140,000 licences issued, only 15,000 were chemists', so that to each chemist there were nine other points of distribution. The proportion today must be even greater. Had anything been done to protect business in the future? The C.F. movement gave the reply. In 1939, the C.F. Association was set up as an independent body. It was a tripartite body representing manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers. problems were considered by the Council as a whole, and this policy would determine the future success of the C.F. movement. In 1941 an endeavour was made to increase the degree of support received from the retail trade, and 6,000 chemists had signed the agreement form. Certain conditions imposed had not yet been enforced. Further consideration would be given to them after a meeting of manufacturers in the autumn. They had hoped to have had a measure of agreement with multiple firms, but this had not yet been secured. Proprietary medicines might be affected by the new national health service, under which control of advertising and distribution of proprietary medicines might be set up. In

preparation for this, the C.F. Council already set up a Standards Committee. would ensure that all articles accepte the C.F. Council would be products could safely be recommended by cher In this way the public were safegua Advertising of proprietary medicines already subject to some control by Press, and it was likely that this wou extended. Extravagant claims and creation of fear in the minds of the would be factors in limitation.

Marketing Costs

Replying to questions, Mr. Kemp sa marketing costs of proprietaries shoul be out of proportion to the value of product. To a suggestion that the C should market drugs and household dies, with a distinctive trade mark uniform price, Mr. Kemp said the diff was in standardisation of prices. The heads of a high-class dispensing bu were higher than in a business in an i trial area. To a criticism that the So and the N.P.U. had done nothing rega the future of pharmacy in the new h services, Mr. Kemp said the Society ar N.P.U. had not waited for the propos the Ministry, but in a memorandum submitted their proposals to the Go ment. They did not know whether had been accepted or rejected. So N.H.I. was concerned the Ministry had they were not prepared to enter into tiations for a fresh contract during h ties. To another question Mr. Kemp the P.A.T.A. and the C.F.A. were not i way antagonistic; both were essent the pharmacist. Mr. C. Cronin, chai of the N.P.U. branch, proposed a vo thanks to Mr. Kemp. During the me congratulations were extended to M Brindle on his appointment as chairm the next British Pharmaceutical Confe

C. & D. QUIZ NO. 14

- 1. By whom was Epsoin salt discovere 2. What famous Egyptologist was pharmacist?
 - 3. What is "flowers of phosphorus"?
 - 4. Why is bromine so called?
 - 5. What is gingerin?
 - 6. What is Burow's solution?

 - 7. What is grey oil?8. What is poor man's plaster?
 - 9. What is yaw root?
 - 10. What is gluside? (Answers on p. 477)

TRADE REPORT

notations for pharmaceutical chemicals, crude drugs and essential oils represent ces for wholesale quantities of standard quality. C.i.f. quotations do not include war risk insurance and other abnormal charges payable in the present emergency

ssex Street, W.C.2, November 3

iss in most markets has been steady nout the week, though the volume of nows no improvement. Prices generwa a firm tendency, with movements d to one or two alterations. On the side an advance of 2s. per lb., as ovember 1, has been announced for PECAC. LIQ., while VANILLIN has down by 1s. 6d. per lb., owing to the endency of CLOVE OIL. Business in ACEUTICAL CHEMICALS continues to icted on account of the supply positive of the property of the supply positive in good demand at unchanged rates.

Drugs

e markets have kept fairly steady nout the week, with business modest unt. One or two items show small ons in values, but on the whole price s have been few. Cape Aloes has been in good request, but no spot s are available. As noted last week (p. SALSAM TOLU is fetching a higher it is likely that this drug will gradu-. appear from the market, as no import are apparently being issued. Little t is being taken in Benzoin, and s is confined to occasional sales at ged prices. Camphor may still be d by approved buyers, but only sales are being made. CLOVES and SPICES are quiet, with values und on the week. Spot supplies of No. 1 LEMI are exceedingly difficult to find. is in some demand. No change has d in the position of IPECACUANHA as isly reported; as mentioned above, ECAC. LIQ. is dearer. The position of or is no nearer clarification. SEEDS are steady, with only a smallpusiness being done at previouslyprices. Senna is a quiet market, lost varieties in good supply. Values GACANTH are firmly maintained at els recorded last week.

al Oils

ness in "free" essential oils is regularly the diminishing quantities availut no upward price tendency is dise. Allocations for "controlled" oils ng made. No further prices have yet

been received. The Ministry of Food announces that there will be no change in the existing prices of oils and fats allocated to primary wholesalers and large trade users during the four weeks ending November 27.

Exchange Rates on London

During October the London valuations of the principal foreign currencies were unaltered. The Bank of England fixed rates include: New York, 4.03 dollars; Montreal, 4.45 dollars; Dutch West Indies, 7.60 florins; Lisbon, 100 escudos; Stockholm, 16.90 kroner. The Chinese National dollar is valued at 3½d., and Madrid pesetas are at 40.50 to the £ sterling.

Pharmaceutical Chemicals

ALLOBARBITONE.—Makers' price is steady at 60s. per lb.

AMPHETAMINE.—Steady at the unchanged price of 150s, per lb.

ATROPINE.—Steady at the following prices per oz.: Alkaloid, I oz., 35s.; 4 oz., 34s. 6d.; 25 oz., 34s. Sulphate, I oz., 28s.; 4 oz., 27s. 6d.; 25 oz., 27s. Methyl bromide and Methyl nitrate, I oz., 65s.

Barium sulphate, B.P. (x-ray).—Quoted at the following rates per lb. in quantities of 28 lb.— I cwt. (containers in brackets): Is. $5\frac{1}{2}$ d. (1-lb.); Is. 4d. (4-lb.); Is. 3d. (7-lb.); Is. $2\frac{1}{2}$ d. (14-lb.); Is. 2d. (28-lb.).

Boric acid.—Makers' quotations are as follows: B.P. granulated, £60 15s. per ton; crystal, £61 15s.; powder, £62 15s. Packed in one-cwt. bags, delivered carriage paid in Great Britain, in one-ton lots and upwards. Commercial grades, £8 per ton less.

Bromides.—Potassium is quoted by makers at the following prices per lb., in lots of from 28 lb. (containers in brackets): 3s. 5½d. (1-lb.); 3s. 2½d. (7-lb); 3s. 2½d. (14-lb.); 3s. 1½d. (28-lb.). Sodium, ½d. per lb. extra; Ammonium, 2½d. per lb. extra; powder, 2d. per lb. extra;

BRUCINE.—Quoted by makers at the following prices per oz.: Alkaloid.—Under 25 oz., is. 4½d.; 25 oz. and under 100 oz., is. 4d.; 100 oz. and under 500 oz., is. 3½d. Nitrate and sulphate.—Under 25 oz., is. 3½d.; 25 oz. and under 100 oz., is. 3d.; 100 oz. and under 500 oz., is. 2½d.

CREAM OF TARTAR.—Steady at British makers' quotation of 262s, per cwt., less $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. discount. Demand is fair.

GALLIC ACID.—Prices range from 9s. to 10s. per lb., according to quantity.

GUALACOLS.—From 14s. to 15s. per lb. would be wanted for crystals and carbonate.

HOMATROPINE.—Makers' prices per oz. are as follows (prices per gram in brackets): Alkaloid, I oz., 97s. 6d.; 4 oz., 92s. 6d.; 16 oz., 87s. 6d. (4s.). Hydrochloride, hydroperomide and sulphate, I oz., 75s.; 4 oz., 70s.; 16 oz., 65s. (3s. 2d.).

Magnesium carbonate, heavy.—Makers quote for the home trade the following prices per lb. in quantities of 28 lb.—I cwt. (containers in brackets): Is. 6½d. (I-lb.); Is. 5d. (4-lb.); Is. 4d. (7-lb.); Is. 3d. (28-lb.). Prices net one month.

MERCURY IODIDES. — The following are makers' prices per lb.: Red, less than 7 lb., 20s. 8d.; not less than 7 lb., 20s. 2d.; not less than 14 lb., 19s. 8d. Green, less than 7 lb., 28s. 8d.; not less than 7 lb., 26s. 2d.; not less than 14 lb., 25s. 8d. Yellow, less than 7 lb., 28s. 1d.; not less than 7 lb., 27s. 7d.; not less than 14 lb., 27s. 1d. net, carriage paid.

Morphine.—Small supplies are quoted by makers at the following prices per oz.: Alkaloid, ½ oz., 53s.; i oz., 5os. 6d.; 2 oz., 49s.; 3 oz., 48s. 3d.; 4 oz., 48s. Hydrochloride, ½ oz., 43s. 9d.; 1 oz., 41s. 3d.; 2 oz., 39s. 9d.; 3 oz., 39s.; 4 oz., 38s. 9d.

Sulphanilamide.—Prices range between 10s. 6d. to 12s. 6d. per lb., according to quantity.

Tartaric acid.—British makers quote 3s. 12d per lb. for B.P. crystal, less 5 per cent. discount.

TERPINEOL.—May be had for medicinal use at from 3s. 6d. to 4s. per lb., according to quantity.

Vanillin.—Following the lower tendency of clove oil vanillin has been reduced by 1s. 6d. per lb., making the price for small lots 21s. 9d. per lb., with lower prices for quantities.

Crude Drugs

ALOES.—Good demand continues for Cape, but spot supplies are not available; affoat, 92s. 6d. per cwt., c.i.f. Curação, 48os. per cwt., spot.

Antimony.—English 99 per cent. regulus is maintained at £120 per ton, delivered; 70 per cent. crude, for the home trade, £100 per ton, delivered. Supplies are reserved for essential purposes.

Balsams.—As noted last week, *Tolu* is dearer at 15s. 6d. per lb., for softish material; it is understood that import licences are not being granted. Other varieties are unchanged as follows: *Canada*, 10s. 3d. per lb.; *Peru*, 8s. 3d., duty paid; *Copaiba*, unobtainable.

Belladonna.—Indian leaf may be obtained on spot at 5s. to 5s. 6d. per lb., and Indian root at 4s. to 4s. 6d. per lb., both according to test.

Benzoin.—Business small; prices unchanged. Sumatra block, spot, £22 ios. to £25 per cwt., according to quality. Free "almonds," £32.

Висни.—Neither rounds nor ovals are available to meet the current demand.

Camphor.—Dealers report small sales to approved buyers, at unchanged prices: Chinese crude, 10s. per lb., B.P. 11s. 6d.

Cardamoms.—Spot quotations for greens are steady at 5s. 6d. per lb.; seed may be had at 6s. 6d., and split s 5s. 6d.

CASCARA SAGRADA.—Demand continue no supplies of bark are available.

CHAULMOOGRA.—Hydnocarpus, spot, t cases, is. 7d. per lb.; shipment from is. 3d. per lb., c.i.f.

CHILLIES.—Mombasa is steadily quot spot at 120s. per cwt.; no other variet offered.

CLOVES.—Spot quotations for Zanzib unchanged at is. 5½d. per lb.; second-q to arrive, iod. per lb., c.i.f. sellers.

COCHINEAL.—Blacks are offered for me use at 4s. 9d. per lb., spot.

COCOA BUTTER.—Maximum official remains at 1s. 5½d. per lb., ex factory of house, except for sales made under M of Food licence.

COCONUT (DESICCATED).—A Ministry of Order fixes the price at 49s. per cwt.

DIGITALIS LEAVES.—English-grown lea quoted at 2s. 6d. per lb.; Portuguese steady on spot at 135s. per cwt.

DRAGON'S BLOOD.—The only variety able is dull Zanzibar drop, which may be on spot at £21 per cwt.

ELEMI.—No. I gum is wanted, but so are difficult to find; spot, if available per cwt.

Ergot.—Spot, 5s. 3d. per lb.; shij 4s. 6d. per lb., c.i.f.

Galangal root.—Quoted at 100s. pe in bond Liverpool.

GINGER.—A preliminary forecast of ginger crop in the Bombay Province is season 1943–44 ("Indian Trade Joustates that the crop is grown to some in Gujarat and the Thana district and to limited extent in the Belgaum district. Such as done from the end of May to the mil June. Germination is good and further of the crop is reported to be fairly satisf

GUM ACACIA:—No change has occurred spot price of Kordofan cleaned sorts a per cwt.; bleached, 150s., c.i.f.; Talha, c 55s. per cwt., landed terms.

HENBANE LEAVES.—Indian leaves, 2008. to 3508. per cwt., according to Russian leaves, to approved buyers, per lb.

IPECACUANHA.—Continues in good do but no spot supplies are available. Pr Ext. IPECAC. LIQ. are advanced by 2s. I as from November 1. New rates are as for Winchesters, B.P., 1932, under three, 3 per lb.; three and under six, 32s.; sunder twelve, 31s. 6d.; twelve and over B.P., 1914, under three, 30s. 6d.; thrunder six, 30s.; six and under twelve, 25 twelve and over, 29s. per lb.; all prices are on a net basis.

ex works.

P.—Brazilian root can be obtained from at 105s. per cwt., for material testing cent., and 95s. for 13 per cent.

ALA.—Spot price of material testing per cent. remains at 1s. 9d. per lb.

ORICE ROOT.—Approved users may obtain r root for pharmaceutical purposes at r cwt., spot; cut Russian root, for armaceutical use, 96s. 6d. per cwt.

CHOL.-No change has occurred in the as previously reported.

кн.—Good-quality Aden sorts are priced at £20 per cwt.; pickings, £10,

regs.-West Indian, spot, wormy and is. 5d. per lb.; sound unassorted, is. 8d. VOMICA.—Cochin, spot, steady at 42s. 6d. per cwt., according to seller; shipment dia, 35s., c.i.f. Cocanada, spot, 37s. 6d. .; shipment, 32s. 6d., c.i.f.

GE PEEL.—Spanish bitter quarters are on spot at 4s. 3d. per lb.; good-quality , 4s. 6d.

rto.—Sellers on spot at is, 9d. per lb.; et is not quoted.

JUM SEED.—Small lots of Indian seed obtained from dealers at 1s. 3d. per lb. AIA BARK.—Crushed or cut bark, spot, cwt.; natural, spot, 75s.; afloat, 65s.,

ARB.—In fair demand; prices are un-. Spot, rough-round, 8s. per lb.; flat, ed, rough-coat, 8s. to 8s. 3d.; slightly

IIN.—Spot, steady at 7s. 6d. per lb.,

..—Steady and unchanged. Pods, rian medium, 3s. 9d. to 4s. per lb.; lly, hand-picked, manufacturing grade, d. Leaves, broken Alexandrian, 1s. 3d. 1.; siftings, 1s. 2d.; Tinnevelly No. 1, od.; No. 2; 7d. to 7½d.; No. 3, 5½d.

L.—Dealers are offering Portuguese spot at 8os. per cwt., and Indian at

TONIUM LEAVES.—Spot, steady at 95s. , ex store.

HANTHUS.—From 10s. to 10s. 6d. per d be wanted for Kombé 100 per cent. cording to quantity.

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er cwt., ex store.

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Anise (STAR).—Request is considerable but supplies are short; price nominal at 80s. per lb.

BAY.—Any available spot supplies would fetch around 12s. 6d. per lb.

Cajuput.—Spot supplies are meagre; price, about 15s. per lb.

CINNAMON.—Leaf oil is quoted on spot at from 15s. 6d. to 16s. per lb.

CITRONELLA.—Java, spot, approximately 25s.

per lb.; Ceylon, about 21s. 6d. CLOVE.—No change in English distillers' prices for genuine B.P. oil at 11s. 6d. to 12s.

per lb., according to quantity. Cottonseed.—Bulk supplies are officially priced as follows: Refined edible, £57 per ton; refined deodorised, £58 per ton; both naked

CROTON.—Quoted at 9s. 6d. per lb.

EUCALYPTUS.—Seventy to 75 per cent. oil in drums would be worth approximately 5s. 9d. per lb. on spot; 80 to 85 per cent., about 6s.

GERANIUM.—Genuine North African oil, spot, 85s. to 90s. per lb., according to quantity.

GINGER.—English-distilled oil may be had on spot at approximately gos. per lb.

GINGERGRASS.—Spot supplies are small and would be worth around 22s. 6d. per lb.

Lemongrass.—Small spot lots continue to be quoted at approximately 13s. 6d. per lb.

Nutmeg.—Oil from West Indian nutmegs may be bought at about 42s. per lb.

Palm.—Official price of refined deodorised remains at £55 per ton and that of refined hardened deodorised at £58 per ton, both naked ex works.

Palmarosa.—Spot, 93 per cent., if available, would be worth around 35s. per lb.

Patchouli.—Good-quality oil, on approximately 72s. 6d. per lb., if available.

Peppermint.—Chinese continues in request, but stocks are short. Spot, if available, 110s. per lb.

PETITGRAIN.—In very small compass; spot, about 25s. per lb.

Rapeseed.—Official quotation for bulk supplies of refined is unchanged at £60 per ton, naked ex works.

Rosemary.—Spot, if available, around 16s. per lb.

Vetivert.—Any holders of spot supplies would require about 95s. per lb.

"C. & D." Quiz No. 14.—The answers to the questions given on p. 474 are: 1. Nehemiah Grew, 1695. 2. James H. Breasted. 3. Phosphorus pentoxide. 4. From the Greek, bromos, a stench. 5. The oleo-resin of ginger. 6. Liq. alumin. acet. 7. Inj. hydrarg. fort. 8. Emp. picis. 9. Root of Stillingia sylvatica. 10. Sac-

CORRESPONDENCE

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Proposed Increases in Pharmacy Fees

SIR,-Your leading article on the proposed increase of pharmacy registration fees (C. & D., October 23, p. 415) proves the value of an independent trade journal. An iniquitous wrong is about to be done, and action should be taken at once to circumvent the exploitation of the Pharmacy and Poisons Act for a purpose for which it could not have been intended, namely, to bolster up grandiose failures in the form of a palatial palace for political pharmacy. as you point out, can be the only reason for milching pharmacists by higher registration The method of introducing the proposed changes is indicative that the money is already earmarked for purposes which the proposers are not willing to defend. Bloomsbury Square was born a tame white mouse: it has grown in quick time into a white elephant. All this is happening under a Council which has no electoral authority at present. I suggest that every local branch of the Pharmaceutical Society (or every local Chemists' Association) should see that a motion is discussed at the first ensuing meeting of its members, deploring the proposals made.

Yours faithfully, Rock Ferry. J. W. WATERWORTH.

SIR,—There is no doubt that the Council of the Pharmaceutical Society has blundered badly in making its latest demand for higher fees. What embitters and will continue to embitter this controversy is the cool assumption that no person and no organisation outside the Council has any say in the matter. Admittedly the Council can now make by-laws without the confirmatory sanction of a meeting of members; but has any other body, and in particular the Drug Trade Council, been consulted before the demand was decided upon? The presidential statement would have come upon us with a much better chance of a favourable reception if it could have been backed by the considered agreement of a more representative group. And how is it that, with an income approximately doubled during the past ten years, the Council is now unable to put by "any substantial savings"? It is all very well to practise "the most stringent economies" on a falling income, but what of the preceding period of the rise from, in round figures, £60,000 to £120,000

per annum? When we read that nume ventures "must" be undertaken by Society, the question of paying for a arises. Are all these projects strictly we the scope of the Society's powers? If intended publicity for "pharmacy" is conducted without due discretion, it wis more harm than good.

Yours faithfully, Ordinary Member

"C. & D." Quiz Caught Out?

SIR,—May I be allowed to correct answer you give to the question in C. & D. Quiz No. 13-2, "Who first is lated with cowpox?" The gentlen name was Jesty—not Testy, and he a Dorset—not Gloucester—farmer. A ding to Jesty's tombstone in the church of Worth Matravers, Dorset, "by his strength of mind he first tried covinoculation on his wife"!

Yours faithfully, Petts Wood, Kent. E. A. Ro

What Prospects for Apprentice

SIR,—On reading the letters of M. R. E. Bell, and W. M. Nicoll, and si letters which appear from time to til the pharmaceutical Press, one is ten to ask, what justification is there for profession of pharmacy? It has a seemed to me that the distinction be a profession and a trade is that one tices a profession "to give" and a "to get." If the "really fine lad" fine as he appears to be, then I say emp cally that he should continue in his and practise pharmacy as a professio he does this I am certain that he will of a satisfaction which will amply compe him for the meagre material benefits his profession gives him. I speak fi longer experience than Mr. Nicoll, as forty-six years since I entered my fession as a raw apprentice. I have regretted that I followed in the steps father and grandfather, while my child (also a qualified chemist) has to that she would not change her occuj for anything. . . . The attitude of who disparage their calling has pharmacy to fail to occupy its ri position: that of an honourable profe

Yours faithfully, Grantham. John Chesh

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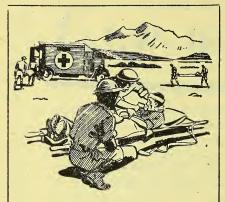
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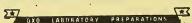
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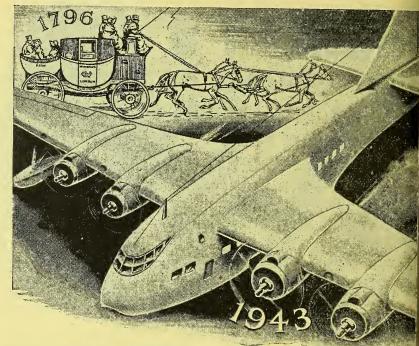
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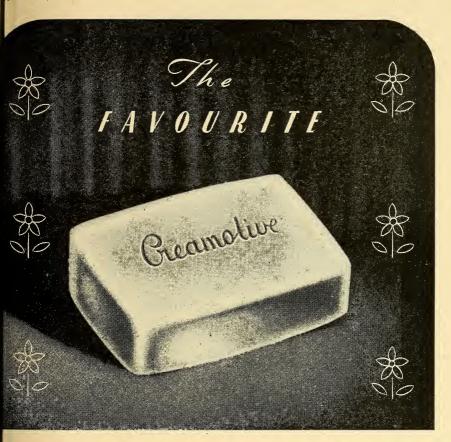
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